

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
SEATTLE DIVISION

THEODORE BURTON TUFTE,

Plaintiff,

vs.

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

Civil No. 2:18-CV-00860-JLR

ORDER

Based on the stipulation between the parties it is hereby ORDERED that the above-captioned case be reversed and remanded for further administrative proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g).

On remand, the administrative law judge (ALJ) shall offer Plaintiff an opportunity for a new hearing and issue a new decision. Upon remand, the Appeals Council will instruct the ALJ to:

- further develop the record, as necessary;
- further assess Plaintiff's residual functional capacity in accordance with SSR 96-8p, and incorporate restrictions from his impairment of obesity;

- further evaluate the medical opinion evidence and subjective symptoms; and
- obtain vocational expert evidence to clarify the effect of the assessed limitations on Plaintiff's ability to perform other work existing in the national economy.

The parties agree that reasonable attorney fees will be awarded under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, upon proper request to the Court.

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DATED this ~~16~~²⁶th day of November, 2018.


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE

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